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TI NELL-1 enhances mineralization in fetal calvarial  
osteoblastic cells  
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SO Surgical Forum (1999), 50, 599-601  
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AB The association of NELL-1 expression with bone formation  
and mineralization of the calvarial osteoblast-like cells was studied.  
NELL-1 mRNA was faintly expressed from day 14 of  
gestation with mild increase over the gestation period. Both primary rat  
fetal calvarial cell cultures and MC3T3 cell cultures overexpressing  
NELL-1 showed an increase in mineralization. Mouse cDNA  
array results from NELL-1-infected MC3T3 cells showed  
the expression modulation of the genes related to bone formation and  
craniofacial development: downregulation in BMP-7 gene expression and  
upregulation of Split Hand and Foot gene.

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